



**CBTM** 



**Communications Based Train Management** 

October 23, 2002

# **CBTM Status**

- CSX has entered into a service agreement with Wabtec, to keep CBTM working as a pilot system
- Full-time Field Service Engineer in Spartanburg
  - Responsible for monitoring and troubleshooting locomotives and wayside equipment
  - Represents CBTM to CSX personnel
- Data Gathering
  - Evaluate performance
  - Determine requirements for a production system
- Crew acceptance continues to be positive
  - Issues with braking algorithm

# **CBTM Performance**

# Safety Enforcements

- Failed to hear audible warning
- Warning time to enforcement not sufficient
- Use of default consist

# System Issues

- Communications: coverage; on-board radios
- CADS Interface: downtime; database corruption

# 2001 Performance Improvements

- Retain track database on-board
  - Speeds up initialization process and reduces communication
- Upgrade of the VHF Radio software
  - Increases the performance and reliability of the RF communications

## **CBTM Business Case**

- Rail Sciences, Inc (RSI) completed an economic evaluation of CBTM in July, 2001
- RSI concluded that:
  - of all the existing or planned PTC installations, CBTM has the strongest cost justification;
  - CBTM minimizes the technical risk, which lowers its delivered cost;
  - in addition to safety, CBTM provides significant operational and cost reduction benefits relative to its cost

# **CBTM Drivers**

## CBTM can drive improvements in:

### Safety

 Prevention of collisions, enforcement of speed limits and protection of work authorities

#### Operational Benefits

- Reduced operating delays
- Increased velocity due to more efficient meets and passes
- Time savings for dispatchers and crews
- Capital avoidance

### Signal System Retirement

 Elimination of TCS from low-density lines resulting in avoided maintenance costs

#### Process Changes

Issuance and release of movement authorities

# **CBTM Revised Cost Estimate**

- Wabtec completed a detailed cost analysis in May 2002
  - Revised cost estimate is based on their efforts to develop:
    - production hardware and software for CBTM;
    - the onboard platform for the the IDOT Project

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	Cost	com	parison:
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**July 2001** 

August 2002

One Time Implementation:

\$351.9M\*

\$199.0M

- 2.7K Locomotives (\$15K vs. \$24.4K each)
- ~15.0K Miles of Track (\$20K vs. \$8.3K per mile)
- 5% Contingency

Recurring Annual Cost

\$1.8M

\$10.9M\*

<sup>\* -</sup> includes training

# **CBTM Potential Benefits**

- RSI updated their economic evaluation of CBTM based on the revised cost estimate
- CBTM Economic Evaluation showed an increase in the ROI from hard benefits from 18% to 30%
  - (velocity, safety, avoided maintenance costs and capital investments)
  - ROI from hard benefits on selected subdivisions is even higher

# **2002 CBTM Enhancements**

# Display replacement

 Replace current monochrome display with a full color, integrated display

# Digital Display of Authorities

- Allows the dispatcher to issue and extend authority digitally, without verbally contacting the crew
- Allows the crew to view and release movement authorities digitally from the locomotive cab



## 2002 CBTM Enhancements

- Locally Controlled Power Switches are operated by the crew from the cab of a locomotive
  - Design has utilized alternative methods to satisfy the requirements for signals, which are typically associated with power switch installations

#### Benefits:

- Eliminates the need for crews to physically throw the switch
- Reduces the time required during meets
- Increases average train velocity
- Reduces the risk of crew injury





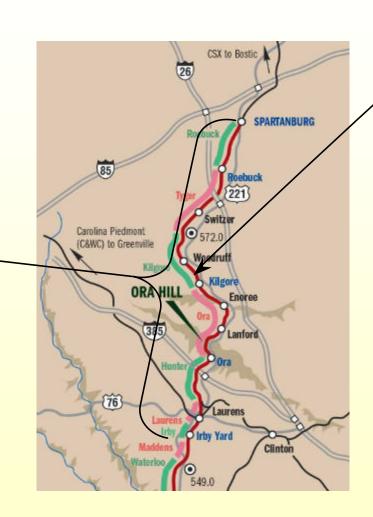


# 2002 CBTM Communications Enhancement

- Install a UHF ATCS network on approximately 50 miles of the current CBTM territory to operate in parallel with existing VHF infrastructure
  - Allows CBTM to be designed, developed and tested using the ATCS Spec 200 protocol
    - CBTM can then leverage the infrastructure already installed for radio code lines
  - Installation in non-signaled territory to support CBTM enables other applications to become less dependent on commercial services

# **ATCS Additions**

- CSXT track in pilot territory
- Current pilot is VHF
- Add UHF ATCS
   Spec 200 data
   network
   between
   Spartanburg
   and Irby



Powered switch installations at both ends of Kilgore siding

# 2002 CBTM Enhancements

 Wabtec is providing matching funds to address system reliability by migrating CBTM to a production ready platform

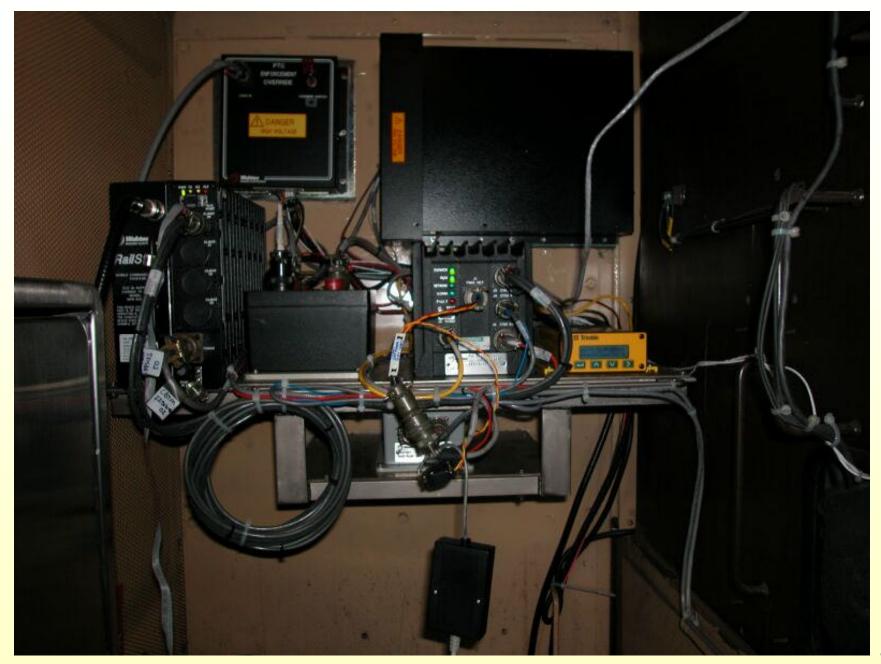
# Goal is to demonstrate benefits outlined in business case

# Production Ready On-Board Platform

- Required to support locally controlled power switches and digital display of authority
- Improved maintainability and reliability
- Development includes:
  - Hardware
    - Display
    - Processor
    - Locomotive interface
    - Data radio
  - Software development
    - Lessons learned
    - Additional features

# **Hardware Changes**

- Replace TransitMaster display with New Display
- Supplement IFC / Event Recorder interface with IFC / Electronic Air Brake interface
- Replace RDR-160 with MCP
- Replace "Pizza Box" with On-Board Processor
- Separate Locomotive ID module
- Replace brake interface relay with brake interface module
- Replace Sonalert ™
- Replace power supply
- GPS Receiver and Antenna Potential Replacement



# On-Board Platform Safety Considerations

- On-board platform activity is:
  - Re-hosting existing system on new hardware
  - Re-partitioning software objects
  - Re-implementing existing functions
- This is not a fundamental change in CBTM system, scope or functionality
- The new on-board platform does not require safety activity beyond that performed for the pilot
- Additional safety activities will take place for Power Switch and DDA, since these are beyond the scope of the original system

# **System Design Process**

#### Requirements

- Reflect lessons learned from CBTM pilot and Eastern Project
- Address CSXT issues list
- Incorporate new features and previous functional specification efforts
- Produce documents useful to the development team, no paper for paper's sake
- Retain applicable documentation from pilot project

#### Design

- Support production ready on-board platform
- Simplify architecture
- Allow for the addition of new functionally

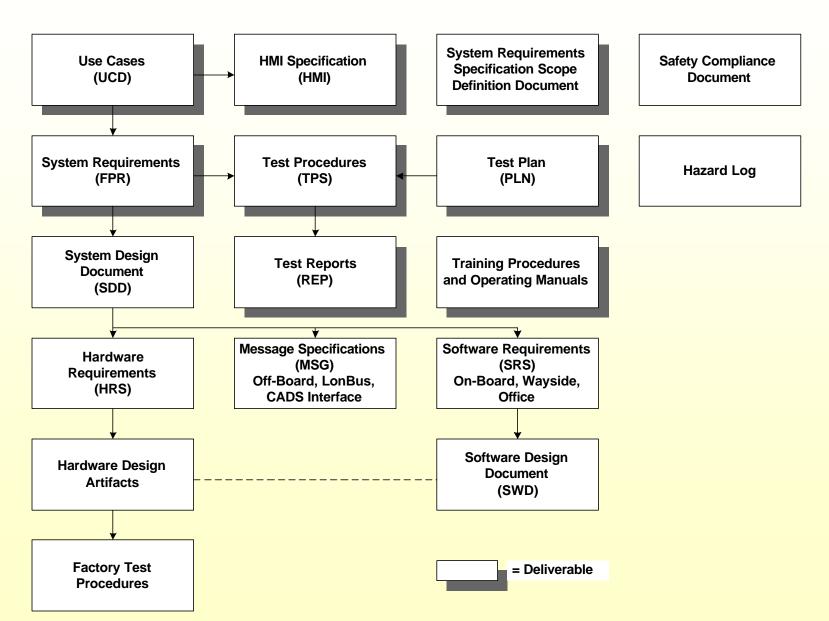
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- Phased approach
- Incremental verification (following Wabtec standards)

#### Test

- Utilize both lab and field testing

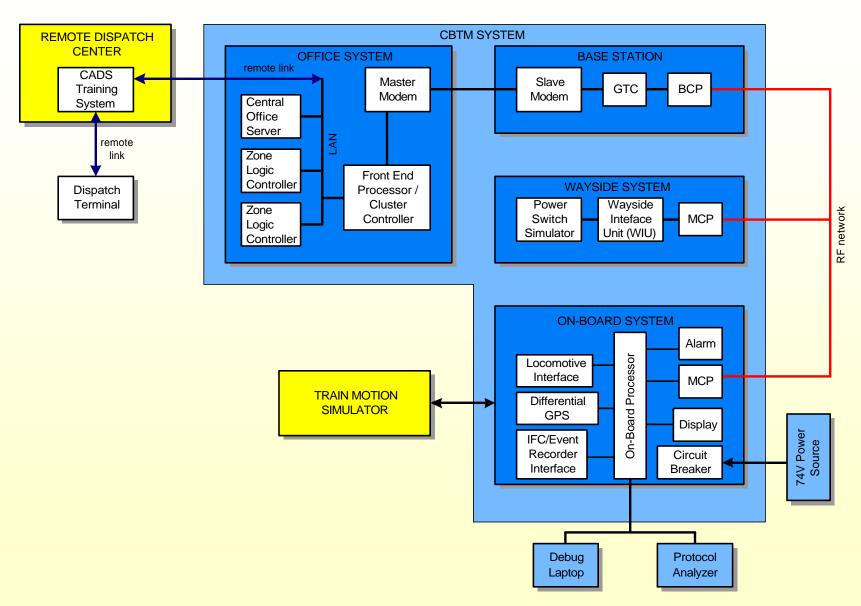
# **Document Tree**



# **Test Strategy**

- Evaluate system against the functionality described in the System Requirements Specification
- Two overall types of tests
  - Lab tests
    - Demonstrate conformance with system requirements
  - Field tests
    - Perform a subset of lab tests modified for field environment
    - Demonstrate elements that can't be tested in the lab
      - Communication via actual data network
      - System interface with an actual locomotive
      - Speed and location accuracy
      - Stopping distance accuracy

# **Lab Test Environment**



# **Safety Summary**

- CBTM Program is following the safety process outlined in the NPRM
  - Define hazards
  - Demonstrate mitigation
  - Peer review
  - Trace requirements through test
- Not creating Product Safety Plan (PSP) at this time
- Producing a Safety Compliance Document
  - Documents the performance of this safety process
  - Demonstrates prudent efforts have been taken to ensure safety of the system
  - Contain portions of PSP as defined in NPRM
- Can build a PSP later